

REMARKS

Applicant has carefully reviewed and considered the Office Communication mailed January 30, 2001. Claims 30, 33, 39, 42, 45, 56, 60, 69, 72 and 75 are amended; as a result, claims 1-85 are now pending in this application. This ratifies the amendment submitted 10/30/00, but now includes those claims underlined entirely to comply with the Examiner's request.

Rejection of Amendments to the Claims

The Examiner has entered in part the Amendment and Response filed mailed on October 30, 2000 and filed November 6, 2000, but has not entered Applicant's amendment to claims 30, 33, 39, 42, 45, 56, 60, 69, 72 and 75 because the amendment to the claims fails to comply with 37 CFR 121(b)(2)(i)(B), (Now 1.173(d)(2)) namely, the claims added to the patent as issued must be underlined in their entirety in every amendment. The above listing of all claims showing the changes relative to the issued patent reflect the current pending claims. Applicant requests that the amendment to claims 30, 33, 39, 42, 45, 56, 60, 69, 72 and 75 now be entered and examined.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (612-373-6949) to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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